

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF:
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Betty's Gojo Restaurant :
and Lounge, LLC, :
t/a Betty's Gojo :
7616 Georgia Avenue NW : Show Cause
Retailer CR - ANC 4A : Hearing (Status)
License No. 102500 :
Case #18-AUD-00106 :
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(Failed to File Quarterly:
Statement) :

Wednesday
October 9, 2019

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing
Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street, N.W.,
Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009, Chairperson
Donovan W. Anderson, presiding.

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
BOBBY CATO, JR., Member
RAFI ALIYA CROCKETT, Member
JAMES SHORT, JR., Member

ALSO PRESENT:

JOHN LUI, DC OAG
FERNANDO RIVERA, DC OAG
MICHAEL DESTA, INTERPRETER FOR APPLICANT
ABEBA WELDEGEBRIEL, APPLICANT

1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

2 9:55 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case
4 we now move to a show cause hearing status
5 calendar, Case Number 18-AUD-00106, Betty's Gojo,
6 and Case Number 19-AUD-00016, Betty's Gojo,
7 License Number 102500.

8 Would the parties approach and
9 identify themselves for the record, please?

10 I'm sorry, are you a translator, sir?

11 MR. DESTA: Yes, I am a translator.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And what's the
13 language, please?

14 MR. DESTA: Amharic, sir.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. Can
16 you raise your right hand, please?

17 Do you swear or affirm that you will
18 faithfully translate these proceedings from
19 English into Amharic, and from Amharic into
20 English?

21 MR. DESTA: I do.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, can
23 you state your name for the record, please?

24 MR. DESTA: My name is Michael Desta.

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Michael who?

1 MR. DESTA: Desta.

2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: You're being
3 recorded sir, I that is why. And there's a sign-
4 in sheet. And could you also sign your name on
5 the sign-in sheet and put the translator.

6 MR. DESTA: Okay, sir. Thank you.

7 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Start with the
8 Government.

9 MR. LUI: Good morning, Mr.
10 Chairperson, John Lui, on behalf of the District
11 of Columbia.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
13 Mr. Lui.

14 MR. RIVERO: Fernando Rivero, Acting
15 Chief, Civil Enforcement, for the District of
16 Columbia.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
18 Mr. Rivera, Rivero, apologize. Ma'am? What is
19 your name, ma'am.

20 MS. WELDEGEBRIEL: My name is Abeba
21 Woldegebriel.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms.
23 Woldegebriel, good morning.

24 MS. WELDEGEBRIEL: Woldegebriel.

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Are there any

1 preliminary matters in this case?

2 MR. LUI: Mr. Chairperson, the parties
3 do not have an offer in compromise to present at
4 this time.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. Let
6 me start. Are there any preliminary matters in
7 Case Number 18-AUD-00106?

8 MR. LUI: No, Mr. Chairperson.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
10 Then this matter is scheduled for a show cause
11 hearing on October 23rd at 11:00 a.m.

12 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
13 went off the record at 9:57 a.m.)

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Before: DCABRA

Date: 10-09-19

Place: Washington, DC

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